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1. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2002-215400 published August 2, 2002 together with English language abstract;
2. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2002-323847 published November 8, 2002 together with an English language abstract corresponding to U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2002/0160350 A1 published October 31, 2002 to Tanaka et al.;

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3. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2002-197267 published July 12, 2002 together with an English language abstract; and
4. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2001-166958 published June 22, 2001 together with English language abstract corresponding to U.S. Patent No. US 6,480,762 B1 dated November 12, 2002 issued to Uchikubo et al.; and
5. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2002-258732 published September 11, 2002 together with an English language abstract.

The references listed above were cited in an Official Action dated February 17, 2009 received from the Japanese Patent Office, a copy of which is enclosed. Applicants are submitting copies of the above-cited references required by 37 C.F.R. 1.98 (a)(2)(i) and (ii).

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